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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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10 INVENTION: "IMPLANTABLE CARDIOVERTER DEFIBRILLATOR WITH  
AUTOMATIC SWITCHING TO A PRE-SET PACING MODE  
FOLLOWING DELIVERY OF A SHOCK" (As Amended)

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants request  
that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the  
course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States

20 Letters Patent.

AA United States Patent No. 6,430,441

AB United States Patent No. 6,327,498

AC United States Patent No. 6,157,859

AD United States Patent No. 4,869,252

25 AL PCT Application WO 99/65566

AT "The Effect of Biphasic Defibrillation on the Immediate  
Pacing Threshold of a Dedicated Bipolar, Steroid-Eluding  
Lead," Welch et al., PACE, Vol. 22, August 1999, pages  
1229-1233

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**EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE**

References AL and AB were identified and discussed in the present  
specification, and Applicants stand by the statements in the specification  
concerning the teachings of those references.

Reference AD was cited in the International Preliminary Examination Report during earlier examination of the present PCT application.

References AA, AC, AD and AT were cited by the Swedish Patent Office during examination of the counterpart Swedish application, in Category "A" as  
5 general technological background information.

Copies of Reference AL and AT together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

Reference AL corresponds to co-pending United States Application Serial No. 09/719,737, owned by the same Assignee, St. Jude Medical AB, as  
10 the present application. That application is pending in Group Art Unit 3737, and Applicants assume the Examiner has access to that co-pending application and therefore have not burdened the present file with a duplicate copy. If the Examiner nevertheless would prefer that a copy be provided, the Examiner is requested to notify the undersigned counsel for the Applicants and a copy of  
15 the co-pending application will be submitted.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed simultaneously with the present application, and is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(1), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the  
20 teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>								
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<b>OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)</b>								
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